Statement

Statement of Kala-Azar cases and Deaths during 1993

Sl. No.	Affected District	1993 (Prov.) Cases	Deaths
	West Bengal		
1.	Malda	44	—
2.	Murshidabad	157	—
3.	West Dinajpur	—	—
4.	24-Paraganas (N)	94	—
5.	24-Paraganas (S)	11	1
6.	Nadia	—	—
7.	Hooghly	—	—
8.	Burdwan	—	—
9.	Darjeeling	—	—
10.	Dakshin Dinajpur	27	—
	TOTAL—*West Bengal* (Upto April. '93	333	1
	GRAND TOTAL (Prov.)	23413	387

Grant of Equipment for Quli Qutab Shah Diagnostic Centre of A.P.

3953. SHRI N. GIRI PRASAD: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the A.P. Government propose for grant of equipment for Quli Qutab Shah Diagnostic Centres of A.P. under Technical Co-operation programme of Government of Japan; and

(b) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) and (b) The proposal of the Government of Andhra Pradesh in this behalf has been posed to the Japanese Authorities, whose response is awaited.

World Bank Report Regarding Custom of Female Genital Mutilation

3954. SHRI MOHINDER SINGH LATHER:
SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA:
Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the recent World Bank Report with regard to the custom of female genital mutilation being practiced among the minorities in India:

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether Government propose to make any study in this regard; and

(d) if so, what steps have been taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) Government does not have any information on the subject.

Import of Medical Electronic Instruments and Equipments for Cancer Treatment

3955. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the field of medical electronics is making rapid strides and several new and highly useful instruments have been introduced both in the diagnostic and therapeutic areas, and if so, what are the details of important instruments being introduced in the Indian hospitals;

(b) what are the details of the measures being taken by Government to enable deserving public and private hospitals acquire the lat st medical-electronic instruments and equipments for cancer treatment without paying customs duty;

(c) the number of application from hospitals for issuing them certificates for exemption from customs duty are pending with the Health Ministry and how many have been approved for the past four months, and the details of the equipment sought to be imported in each case; and

(d) whether Government consider disposing pending cases and allow cancer hospitals import cancer cure equipment without customs duty?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) Yes, Sir. The details of some major medical electronic equipments introduced in the hospitals are as under:

(i) C.T. Scanner.

(ii) Magnetic Resonance Imaging System.

(iii) Lithotripter.

(iv) Cath Lab. System.

(v) Liner Accelarators.

(b) Custom Duty Exemption Certificates are issued for import of medical equipments including cancer equipments to Government/ private hospitals as per regulations laid down by the Customs authorities from time to time.

(c) and (d) 110 applications from 76 private hospitals in the country are pending with the Dte. General of Health Services for issue of Custom Duty Exemption Certificates. No application has been approved during the past four months as the procedure for granting exemptions was under review to ensure full compliance with provisions of the customs notifications. The pending applications are now being processed for expeditious disposal.

Financial Assistance from DANIDA and UNFPA

3956. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are giving financial assistance from DANIDA, UNFPA and such agencies;

(b) what is the extent of financial aid given by DANIDA in the last three years respectively;

(c) whether a significant portion of this assistance is being frittered away on exotic projects mooted by influential N.G.Os; and

(d) the details of all DANIDA aided projects for which finance has been cleared in last three years giving respective amounts involved and work ?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) : (a) The Government are receiving financial assistance from Inter-national Agencies, including DANIDA and UNFPA, for the Health and Family Welfare sectors.

(b) to (d) During the last three years, DANIDA has given Rs. 30.95 crores as financial assistance for different Governmental Health and Family Welfare projects. Out of this assistance, no funds have been provided to any voluntary organisation. The details of the assisted projects are :—

Sl. No.	Name of the Project	Amount received from DANIDA during last 3 years
1.	DANIDA Health Care Project, Madhya Pradesh, Phase II.	Rs. 13.63 cr.
2.	DANIDA Health Care Project, Tamil Nadu, Phase II.	Rs. 13.34 cr.
3.	National Programme for Eradication of Leprosy, DANIDA assistance Phase II.	Rs. 2.3 cr.
4.	National Programme for Control of Blindness, DANIDA assistance Phase II.	Rs. 1.68 cr.

इलेक्ट्रोपैथी दवाइयों के प्रभाव के बारे में मूल्यांकन

3957. **श्री अजीत जोगी** : क्या **स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार मध्य प्रदेश तथा उत्तर प्रदेश में कुछ मान्यता प्राप्त सरकारी अस्पतालों में योग्य इलेक्ट्रोपैथी चिकित्सकों की नियुक्ति करके इलेक्ट्रोपैथिक दवाइयों के प्रभाव का मूल्यांकन करने का विचार रखती है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं?

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री (श्री बी० शंकरानन्द) : (क) जी, नहीं ।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

(ग) इस मामले की पहले ही दो समितियों द्वारा जांच कर ली गई है और सरकार इसका नए सिरे से मूल्यांकन करना आवश्यक नहीं समझती है ।

Spread of Malaria in A. P.

3958. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :